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1. US approves plan for training future Austrian army--The S/TS
Department of State has requested US Embassies London and Paris to inform the British and French Foreign Offices that the US has granted Austrian High Commissioner Keyes authority to: (a) carry out plans for training an Austrian gendarmerie regiment as a basic cadre for a future army; and (b) provide the regiment with appropriate equipment. Pointing out that British and French approval for the plans must be given before the equipment can be issued, the Department also requests the support of the UK and France in obtaining Austrian agreement on a satisfactory plan for a future army.
2. Vishinsky expresses personal disapproval of strikes--Secre- S/TS
tary of State Acheson reports from Paris that Soviet Delegate Vishinsky, when asked at the 16 June meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers whether he could suggest a solution to the Berlin railway strike, expressed irritation that the question had been raised and declared that, speaking for himself, he did not approve of strikes. Expressing the view that the strike was organized in the US sector and was not a Soviet responsibility, Vishinsky said he had no authority to negotiate on this subject but would refer the matter to Moscow. The Secretary comments that the incident reveals the exceedingly narrow latitude enjoyed by Vishinsky in the Paris negotiations.

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3. INDONESIA: US concerned over Dutch inflexibility--The Depart- CIA/S
ment of State has expressed to US Representative Cochran CIA/S
in Batavia its concern over Dutch delegate Van Roijen's

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insistence that Republican Premier Hatta guarantee that no alterations will be made in the cease-fire agreement when it is submitted to the Republican Parliament at Jogjakarta. The Department regards as entirely valid the Republican position that "the door must be left slightly open" for possible revisions in the agreement because it believes the Republican Government cannot be expected to make binding commitments prior to its return to authority. The Department considers that Security Council directives obligate the Netherlands to restore the Republican Government to Jogjakarta before agreements for the cessation of hostilities are negotiated.

Renewed ECA aid to Indonesia favored--US Ambassador Baruch and ECA Representative Valentine at The Hague have indicated their approval of the Department of State's suggestion for the renewal of ECA aid to Indonesia. The US representatives suggest that by securing the participation of Republican Premier Hatta in the program and possibly that of other Indonesian groups, the possibility would be removed that the renewal of aid would be regarded as an effort to help the Dutch.

(CIA Comment: CIA disagrees with this estimate concerning the effects of the renewal of ECA aid at this time and concurs in the view expressed by US Representative Cochran in Batavia that such action would be construed by most Indonesians as a pro-Dutch change in US policy, weakening to the position of US-oriented Premier Hatta. CIA believes further that any attempt to identify Hatta with distribution of ECA aid under Dutch auspices would expose him to charges of pursuing an unduly conciliatory policy.)

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